

## CHURCH MATTERS.

## Religious Notices.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. H. W. Ballantine, Pastor. Public worship on the Sabbath at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 12 m. Sunday school prayer meeting, Sabbath, at 7 p. m. Week day prayer meeting, Thursday, at 7.45 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Ezra D. Simons, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.; Sunday school, 12 m. The Lord's Supper on the first Sabbath of each month, close of morning service. Temperance meeting on Tuesday evenings. Prayer-meeting on Thursday evenings. Young People's meeting, Sabbath evening at 6.30 o'clock.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school at 2.30 p. m. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evenings at 7.45. Class-meeting, Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7.45 o'clock.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Fremont street, corner Franklin.—Rev. S. W. Duffield, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 12 m. Weekly prayer-meeting at 8 o'clock each Thursday evening, in Chapel parlor.

CHRIST CHURCH (Episcopal)—Liberty street.—Rev. W. G. Farrington, D. D. Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock. Second service, 7.30 p. m., except first Sunday in month, when it is at 3.45 p. m. Sunday school at 3 p. m.

HOLY CHURCH.—Sunday school, every Sabbath at 3.30 p. m. John G. Broughton, Superintendent.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.—Rev. J. M. Nardello, Pastor. First mass, 8.30 a. m. High mass, 10.30 a. m. Vespers, 3 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m.

BERKELEY UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.—Held in Berkeley School-house, Bloomfield avenue, every Sunday at 3 o'clock p. m. John A. Skinner, Superintendent. All are welcome.

WATERSIDE M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. J. Cowans, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 2.30 p. m. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evening at 7.45. Class-meeting on Tuesday evening at 7.45.

ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Watertown)—Rev. Daniel J. Edwards, Rector. Morning service, 10.30 o'clock; evening service, 7.30. Sunday school, 3 p. m.

GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. John M. Emslie, Pastor. Hours of service, 10.30 a. m. Sunday school, 2 p. m. Prayer-meeting, Tuesday evening, 7.45 o'clock.

REFORMED CHURCH (Brookdale)—Rev. William G. E. See, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10.30 a. m. and 7.30 p. m. Sunday school, 9 a. m. E. G. Day, Superintendent. Prayer meeting, Wednesday evening.

SILVER LAKE.—Sabbath school held every Sunday, in the hall, at 3 p. m. Charles A. Hubbs, Superintendent. Gospel meeting every Sabbath evening at 7.30 o'clock. Prayer and Conversational meeting, Friday evening.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NORMAL CLASS.—Rev. W. H. Brothard, teacher. Held at Lecture room of Baptist church every Friday evening during the month of December. Commencing at 8 p. m. All interested in the Sunday-school lessons are very cordially invited to attend.

## Obituary.—John N. Bruen.

Word has been received of the death of John N. Bruen at Monmouth, Illinois.

John Nicol Bruen was born in Bloomfield, Essex county, New Jersey, Oct. 25, 1825, and was, therefore, 59 years old at the time of his death. His parents, William and Jane Bruen, were natives of the same place but of Scotch descent; and their home still stands in Montgomery, near the Copper Works of Hendricks Brothers. Mr. Bruen was educated at the Bloomfield Academy, and afterwards learned the trade of shoemaker; but he gave this up and "went West." An uncle, Thomas Gould, of Paterson, gave him 80 acres of land in Hender- son Co., Ill., on condition that he would live on it. He hired himself out to a farmer for \$7 a month, which after the first month was increased to \$8. The first year he broke five acres of land. He traded his silver watch and rifle for five days' work and the breaking of ten acres of land; the next year he raised and cradled with his own hands fifteen acres of wheat, which yielded 450 bushels. This he sold at 30 cents a bushel.

His industry led to prosperity, and at the time of his death he owned nearly 1,000 acres of farming land in Illinois and 5,000 in Iowa. He also had large interests in cattle in the farther West.

In 1848 Mr. Bruen married Miss Jane Sharpe, of Henderson Co., Ill., who died in 1863, leaving two sons and one daughter. In 1865 he married Miss Mary S. Martin, of Biggsville, who survives him. His death, which occurred on Saturday, Sept. 22, was caused by pneumonia, which he contracted while on a visit to Chicago on Monday of the same week.

## Our German Friends.

The German students have realized nearly \$50 at their concert given at Dodd's Hall last Tuesday evening. They expect to repeat the concert in Newark, Brooklyn and other cities.

Mr. Eli Chatelair, who was last year a student at the Seminary, has set out for the Congo, in company with the Rev. Dr. Summers, as missionary. Both are at present in Berlin awaiting the result of the Congo Conference.

The deceased Mr. John Bickler was the first Superintendent of the German Sunday School, and upto within a year, for a period of ten years, assistant superintendent. In this latter office, from which he was com-

elled to retire on account of illness, he was succeeded by Mr. Jacob Fernoff.

The Christmas celebration of the German Presbyterian Church Sunday School will be held on Christmas day, beginning at 6 p. m. The exercises will consist of responsive reading, singing and a few recitations by the scholars. The address of the evening will be made by one of the teachers, Mr. Arthur B. Davis. The German Sunday School scholars are known to be good singers, and there is going to be plenty of singing it will prove worth the while to attend this Christmas celebration even for Americans, who do not understand the German language.

Mr. Jacob Meyer is about building a house on Berkeley avenue. The cellar has already been dug out.

Rev. Mr. Enslin is slowly but steadily improving. It will be, however, a number of weeks yet before he will be able to leave the house.

## Montclair.

The concert given under the auspices of the Young Men's Association, at the Congregational Church, on Tuesday evening, was a great success, and one of the best entertainments given here in a long time.

The Meigs Sister Vocal Quartette were the great attraction. Their selections were as follows: Mendelssohn's "On the Sea" and "Resting Place"; Cowen's "Lady Bird"; Bishop's "Serenade" and a comic song "The House that Jack Built." In response to encores, they sang "Robin Adair" and "Oft in the Silly Night." They were certainly deserving of the applause which greeted them on their entrance and followed them out.

Miss Edith Robinson, pianist, gave the following solos on the grand piano: "Schergo"; Chopin, and a selection from Mendelssohn.

Miss Fanny Lovering, soloist, of Montclair, sang "The reason why" and Ardit's "Waltz Song." Miss Kate Conradt accompanying her.

Mr. John J. Coralin recited "The Singers Alms," "The Life Boat," "Poor Little Joe" and "The Doorstep."

If the Y. M. A. give any more entertainments in the way this was given, they may feel assured that the public will second their efforts by attending in full force.

The Montclair Fire Alarm and District Telegraph scheme is moving favorably along. The members of the truck company are soliciting subscriptions, so that the town shall be supplied with a good fire alarm system, with fire boxes, in each of the twelve districts of the town. We wish them success.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Relief Association of the Montclair Fire Department: President, Edwin B. Goodell; Vice-President, Chas. M. Schott, Jr.; Secretary, Robt. M. Henning; Treasurer, John R. Livermore; Collector, Jas. Owen.

The annual meeting of the truck company occurs on Monday, Dec. 22d. Reports for the past year will be presented, and officers for the ensuing year elected.

## Thanks to the Clover Society.

In behalf of the ladies of the Bloomfield Auxiliary of the Newark Orphan Asylum Society we return most grateful thanks to "The Clover Society," consisting of the following members: Misses Maggie Gillman, President; May Farrand, Vice President; May Bartholomew, Treasurer; Nettie Cadmus, and Masters Joseph Gilman and Douglas Sanderson, for their generous donation, the proceeds of their fair held October 11th, 1884, at Mrs. C. Bartholomew's observatory. I fully appreciate the unselfish spirit which prompted the sacrifice of time and pleasure for the comfort of those who are less favored in this world, with joyous homes and loving fathers and mothers.

They only knew how it cheers the lonely hearts of the orphans to be so kindly remembered, and how much brighter all things appear to them, I am sure there will not longer one regret in the hearts of our young friends for this sacrifice; but it will be an incentive to continue in the good work begun for the Master's sake.

Even a "cup of cold water given" to one of the least of the these in the right spirit has its reward.

Mrs. R. N. DODD, President.

Mrs. J. H. HEDDEN, Secretary.

## Monopoly, Rum and Romanism.

In your last issue is reported the "Union Thanksgiving Services" at which the prominent speaker, Mr. Lowrie, states three facts on which our Republic is founded, and also three dangers which threaten the same, the later being monopoly, rum and Romanism.

It sounds pretty close on the historic alteration of a certain Reverend whose expression certainly caused a change in our elections and is almost as foolish. The slang word adopted to express the name of a large portion of our American community, certainly is not of this age of enlightenment and might be left to the backwoods, where primitive bigotry has not been supplanted by education.

The rapid increase of the Catholic Church (the vulgar parlance "Romanism"), is commensurate with the growth and prosperity of our Country and will still grow with its growth and prosper with its prosperity. It minds its own business and has no time or desire to connect its dissenting brothers with monopoly, rebellion, rum, hypocrisy or uncharitableness.

H. J. S.

## The Gas Once More.

To The Citizen.

I have noticed with some sorrow and some amusement, that when the Town Committee found it necessary to yield something to the Gas Company it gave up Ridgewood avenue. The Town Committee reminds me forcibly of Artemas Ward who was so

willing to sacrifice his wife's relations for the good of his country. But Glen Ridge is rapidly getting tired of being treated by Bloomfield as a wife's relation, and the town will wake up some day to the fact that Glen Ridge is able to get along with Bloomfield quite as well as Bloomfield without Glen Ridge. It would take but little to break the bonds that bind the two.

We are getting tired of paying road taxes to pave the Centre and lamp roads to light it. As we are not dependent on Bloomfield for our Railroad or Postoffice and get no roads nor lights, we may as well close and either run things ourselves, or join our more enterprising neighbor on the west in its march of improvement. We mean henceforth our share from Bloomfield or get it elsewhere. GLEN RIDGE.

## A Card.

## To the Citizen:

Some weeks ago Mr. Anthony Francisco, of Belleville, objected to my making a survey of some land in which he was interested, upon the ground that I had had a difficulty with Mr. John Gill, of Orange; and that I had been complained of before the Grand Jury about the matter! I could of course but as sure Mr. F.—that he was entirely mistaken as to the man, and that I had never had any difficulty with Mr. John Gill or any body else. I might have added but did not, and therefore say it here that I am 57 years of age, and that up to this time I have never given any human being cause to complain of me, and that I am entirely unconscious of ever having done anything of which I ought to be ashamed.

Now while I think it strange that any one should make the mistake made by Mr. Francisco, it would certainly be still more strange if no one but him had heard the story which led to the mistake. And it is upon the supposition that many more people have heard it that I trouble you with this communication to disabuse the minds of all who may have heard and believed it. I trust that the appended note from Mr. Gill will effectually dispose of the whole story. I think the note of Mr. Gill necessary inasmuch as Mr. Francisco seemed to doubt my word, especially when in answer to a question from him I acknowledged myself to be the man who made the map of Bloomfield and Belleville some years ago. I think I ought to add that while I have some reason to find fault with Mr. F.—for this, upon the whole I have cause to be, and do think him for his manliness in telling me of the matter to my face, and thus giving me the opportunity to harken to the slander.

JAMES HUGHES.

This is to certify that I have never had any difficulty with Mr. James Hughes, Surveyor of Bloomfield, and that consequently, I never complained of him before the Grand Jury, nor do I know of any one who has. JOHN GILL.

ORANGE, N. J., December 13, 1884.

## Letter on Prohibition.

## To the Citizen:

Where is the proof of the assertion that the Republican party is a temperance party and that the Prohibition movements have placed the enemies of their cause in power at the expense of the only party from which they could expect assistance?

The temperance people could not even obtain recognition at the Republican convention, though scores of thousands united in asking for it. They were ignominiously snubbed. Under the dominance of the Republican party, while the population has increased fifty-nine per cent, the consumption of drink has increased one hundred and fifty per cent, until every person in the United States above ten years of age has thirty-one gallons of alcoholic drink as his share.

Our criminal statistics prove that drunkenness is fearfully on the increase. The crimes through its power are appalling. Yet the party, once of high moral ideals is afraid to touch it, and its leader dodged voting on the question at all. The run power rules in many Northern cities and Republican towns, and does not depend on Democrats exclusively for countenance and support. Missouri, an ultra Democratic State, has laws restricting the sale of intoxicants that surpass almost any other State in the Union. North Carolina is largely legislating for temperance, while about two thirds of the counties in Georgia are Prohibition counties now. Even the Tribune will not count these as Republican States. In Bloomfield, largely Republican, some thirty saloons are supported. We cannot believe the Democrats drink all the whiskey at these places, and another hotel is being built which The Citizen informs us will be a valuable addition to Bloomfield, and leading Republicans have endorsed the respectability of the keeper of the house and its usefulness in connection with the other places to add to the respectability of our town.

These men had an unquestioned right in law to certify to that application; they are leading men of our town. In the language of the late lamented William Shakespeare they are "all honorable men," but don't say that only Democrats do such things.

The facts from Maine to Texas will not verify the assertion. The Law and Order League of our town have brought several violators of the laws to grief, but because the Republicans were defeated this league is not supported as it was in punishing illicit sales of liquor, although its members are Republicans and have little sympathy with the Prohibitionists. Why is this?

There are Democrats to my personal knowledge who voted for Prohibition. I have voted the Republican ticket for years, but when I saw that which many who are wiser than I saw, that the great moral party was bound; this Sanson had placed his head in Delilah's lap, was shorn of its moral strength on this great question; that its eyes were put out, and it had become the sport of the Philistines, then I, fearless of the party which held once me, voted to express my abhorrence of the terrible vice which is only evil and that continually without one redeeming feature. I deeply sympathize with Mr. Maxwell and the small faction he defends, and ask him to remember it was little David who slew one of old who arrogated to himself a place he had not the ability to maintain, by exposing a weak place to his enemy. I am more convinced than ever that legal Prohibition is possible.

Rev. D. R. Lowrie, M. E. Church, Bloomfield, N. J., says: "I have read the proof-sheets of 'Money and Labor,' written by Theodore Bourne, with much interest. I have not seen anything like it before. It is very timely and suggestive."

These sheets will be sold at a discount of 50 or more copies at a discount of 30 cent. 12 copies will be mailed to the address of whom whose names are furnished by sender of \$1 to the Publisher, T. Bourne, 60 Liberty st., New York, your receipt of which will be promptly acknowledged.

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